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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING THE  
DYNAMIC RANGE OF LASER DETECTED ULTRASOUND IN  
ATTENUATIVE MATERIALS

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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27

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**FEE CALCULATION****1. Basic Filing Fee**

Large Entity Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Description	Fee Paid
101	740	201	370	Utility Filing Fee	\$
106	330	208	165	Design Filing Fee	\$
107	510	207	255	Plant Filing Fee	\$
108	740	208	370	Reissue Filing Fee	\$
114	160	214	80	Provisional Filing Fee	\$
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**2. Extra Claim Fees**

Claims	Extra	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid
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Multiple Dependent			\$

Large Entity Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Description	Fee Paid
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109	84	209	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
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**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. Additional Fees**

Large Entity Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late fee or oath	\$
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	\$
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	Request for Reexamination	\$
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	\$
113	1840*	113	1840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	\$
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	\$
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	\$
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	\$
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	\$
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	\$
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	\$
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	\$
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	\$
138	1510	138	1510	Petition to Institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	\$
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	\$
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	\$
143	480	243	230	Design issue fee	\$
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	\$
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	\$ 130.00
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	\$
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	\$
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	\$
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	\$
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	\$ 740.00
189	900	189	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	\$

Other fee (specify): 1. 103(b) Fee for Limited Suspension of Action \$ 130.00

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